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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Cathect Communications, Incorporated for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold and Facilities-Based Local Exchange, Exchange Access and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the State of South Carolina, and for Alternative and Flexible Regulation

**Docket No. 2020-293-C**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) has reviewed the Application of Cathect Communications, Incorporated (the “Company”) and believes that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) granting the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity requested is consistent with the public interest.

ORS reviewed the Company’s application and filings. Based on these reviews, ORS has concluded that the Company possesses the resources needed to provide the services requested and that the Company’s request for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is consistent with the public interest. *See* S.C. Code § 58-9-280.

ORS does not intend to attend the hearing scheduled in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

*s/ Jenny R. Pittman*

Jenny R. Pittman

cc: All Parties of Record (via e-mail)  
David Butler, Esquire